Questions to guide your search:

- Does your career choice need a graduate degree?
  - Research these sites for education requirements and information
    - O*NET (https://www.onetonline.org/)
    - What Can I do with this Major? (http://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/)
- Should you gain job experience before obtaining your second degree (like some business degrees)?
  - Research school for professional goals
  - Talk with professionals in your field to determine if you should work before entering graduate school
  - Begin now if:
    - Pursuing a profession as a college professor, lawyer, or doctor
    - You have been awarded a fellowship, scholarship, or assistantship
  - Conduct an informational interview with a professional in your field or current student in the program to find out information to help with your search
- How will you pay for graduate school (are there assistantships or scholarships available)?
  - Teaching Assistant: Assist in a class/department/or for a professor in return for tuition waiver
  - Graduate Assistant: Assist in an office/department/college in return for tuition waiver
  - Research Assistant: Assist in research opportunities in return for tuition waiver
  - Research these opportunities through the school’s website
  - Check scholarship opportunities and employer sponsorships
- What program delivery methods are available and what will you benefit from more?
  - Online vs In-person
  - Full-time vs. Part-time
- Which type of program is it?
  - Cohort model: Program dedicated to group learning
  - Research Based: Program focused on individuals research
- What is the focus of the program? (research, counseling, leadership, etc.)
  - Does the program have an emphasis that will further your career in some way?
- What type of classes are offered?
  - Research the classes within this program to learn about teaching models, class size, class location, and class times
  - Are there experiential learning opportunities (internships, practicum, labs)?
- Where is the program located (city, country, abroad)?
  - Check out the online resource: Going Global for country guides (http://www.goinglobal.com/)
  - Research community involvement with the school
Resources to utilize when searching for Graduate School Programs:

- Search individual school’s websites
- Graduate Guide Magazine located in CRC Library
- Talk with professors and professionals in the field

There are five graduate school admission exams: GRE (general graduate school exam), GMAT (business graduate school), MCAT (medical school), DAT (dental school), and LSAT (law school). All exams can be registered for online at the websites listed below. Before you take a test, make sure to check the admission requirements for the graduate programs where you plan to apply.

The How, When, and Where of the GRE, GMAT, MCAT, DAT, and LSAT

- **HOW:**
  - GRE: Register for the GRE and GRE Subject Tests online on the ETS website, https://www.ets.org/gre/
    - The test costs $205, payable online by debit or credit card.
  - GMAT: Register for the GMAT online on the MBA website, www.mba.com/us/
    - The test costs $250, payable online by credit or debit card.
  - MCAT: Register for the MCAT online on the AAMC website, https://students-residents.aamc.org/
    - The test costs $420 and gets more expensive the closer you register to the exam date. It is payable online by credit or debit card.
    - The test costs $430, payable online by debit or credit card.
  - LSAT: Register for the LSAT online on the LSAC website, http://www.lsac.org/jd/lsat/
    - The test costs $180, or $355 if utilizing the Credential Assembly Service (CAS). It is payable online by credit card.

- **WHEN:**
  - GRE: Year Round
  - GRE: Subject Tests: 3 times a year — April, September, and October
  - GMAT: Year Round
  - MCAT: Between January and September
  - DAT: Year Round
  - LSAT: 4 times a year- February, June, October, and December

- **WHERE:**
  - GMAT: Pearson Professional Centers (301 Halton Road, Halton Commons Office Park, Suite D1, Greenville, SC 29607)
DAT: Prometric Test Center (10 Enterprise Blvd #100, Greenville, SC 29615)
LSAT: Furman University (3300 Poinsett Hwy, Greenville, SC 29613)
Note: Check the exam’s main website to find a list of all locations available to take the exam.

Graduate School Exam Prep

There are many books, online resources, and classes to help you prepare:
- Online and in person courses available. Find more specifics on the exam’s specific website.
- Cooper Library has free online study guides and practice tests
  [http://clemson.libguides.com/careers/tests](http://clemson.libguides.com/careers/tests)